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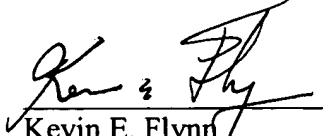
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Applicant submits material cited by a PTO Examiner in related co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/428,836, entitled *High Speed Communication Over Local Coaxial Cable*, by common Assignee coaXmedia, Inc. The '836 application was incorporated by reference in the present application. Note, U.S. Patent No. 6,178,161 has John Brian Terry as an inventor and is the inventor of the present case.

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